

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Norio TANAKA et al.

New U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2005/004895

Filed: July 20, 2006 Docket No.: 128794

For: OPTICALLY CONTROLLED OPTICAL-PATH-SWITCHING-TYPE DATA

DISTRIBUTION APPARATUS AND DISTRIBUTION METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.